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# S. 256

To amend the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide flexibility and reauthorization to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of Native American languages.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 29, 2019

Mr. UDALL (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. WARREN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. SMITH, and Mr. TESTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Esther Martinez Na-  
5       tive American Languages Programs Reauthorization Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. NATIVE AMERICAN LANGUAGES GRANT PROGRAM.**

2 Section 803C of the Native American Programs Act  
3 of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 2991b–3) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (b)(7)—

5 (A) in subparagraph (A)(i), by striking  
6 “10” and inserting “5”; and

7 (B) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking  
8 “15” and inserting “10”; and

9 (2) in subsection (e)(2)—

10 (A) by striking “or 3-year basis” and in-  
11 serting “3-year, 4-year, or 5-year basis”; and

12 (B) by inserting “, 4-year, or 5-year” after  
13 “on a 3-year”.

14 **SEC. 3. REAUTHORIZATION OF NATIVE AMERICAN LAN-**  
15 **GUAGES PROGRAM.**

16 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 816(e) of the Native  
17 American Programs Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 2992d(e)) is  
18 amended by striking “such sums” and all that follows  
19 through the period at the end and inserting “\$13,000,000  
20 for each of fiscal years 2020 through 2024.”.

21 (b) **TECHNICAL CORRECTION.**—Section 816 of the  
22 Native American Programs Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.  
23 2992d) is amended in subsections (a) and (b) by striking  
24 “subsection (e)” each place it appears and inserting “sub-  
25 section (d)”.